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hereby sells, assigns and transfers to THE JAPAN STEEL WORKS, LTD.
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(hereinafter called the Assignee), its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in and to:

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